

POST SHORTS

Recycling schedule



The residential and recycling pickup schedule for May 17, is plastic, glass and metal. Put items in blue bags, and place them on the curb.

Unleaded fuel no longer available at Aberdeen fuel station

Due to mechanical problems, unleaded fuel cannot be dispensed at the Aberdeen Fuel Station, building 4029, and it is expected to be unavailable for about one month.

Drivers of Army owned-vehicles and equipment requiring unleaded fuel must gas up at the Edgewood Station, building E-4017. GSA vehicle operators must go to the Motor Pool in building 5256 to obtain a GSA credit card to purchase unleaded fuel at AAFES or commercial gas stations.

Diesel, compressed natural gas and bulk fueling is still available at the Aberdeen station.

For more information, contact Bill Arguero, 410-306-2280 or Richard Walter, 410-278-5582.

KUSAHC Call Center closes for relocation

The Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic Call Center will close at 2 p.m., May 19 for relocation, and will resume normal activity 6:30 a.m., May 22.

Library closes for relocation

The Post Library will be closed through May 19 to relocate from building 3320 to the Recreation Center, building 3326, with the Registration and Leisure Travel Center.

DTC hosts Asian Pacific celebration

The U.S. Army Developmental Test Command will host an Asian Pacific celebration 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., May 25 at the Recreation Center featuring a martial arts demonstration by Master Choi and food sampling from the regions.

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ISSUE HIGHLIGHT



The annual Military Appreciation Week Guide is an insert in this week's paper. This reference guide is a compilation of messages to the military and civilian community expressing appreciation. It includes messages from leaders in the community, articles covering the partnerships forged between Harford County and APG, information on the Harford County Chamber of Commerce, and a listing of all APG organizations and their mission statements.

NCO, Soldier of the Year announced



Photos courtesy of RDECOM DATA IMAGING TEAM/Illustration by NICK PENTZ
Noncommissioned Officer of the Year Staff Sgt. Timothy Inman, Joint Response Team, Company A, 22nd Chemical Battalion, left, and Soldier of the Year Spc. Joseph Krafft, U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command will be officially honored at a luncheon May 18. Krafft also won RDECOM's Soldier of the Year competition held simultaneously with that of Aberdeen Proving Ground Garrison.

Ordnance anniversary celebrates 194 years of logistics innovation

OC&S

The Ordnance Corps will celebrate its 194-year tradition of logistics innovation May 11 and 12.

This year's events will honor past ordnance Soldiers.

On May 11, the Ordnance Corps Association will host its 9th Annual Golf Tournament at Ruggles Golf Course.

On the morning of May 12, 13 individuals will be inducted into the Ordnance Corps Hall of Fame at the U.S. Army Ordnance Museum. A brief biography of each inductee begins on page 2.

Alson on May 12, Retreat Ceremony will be held 3 p.m. on Ordnance Circle.

Maj. Gen. Mitchell H. Stevenson, commanding general Combined Arms Support Command, will be the guest speaker for the event.

The Ordnance Anniversary Ball, held at 6 p.m., May 12, at Top of the Bay, will culminate the celebration.



Police Week honors the fallen

Story by
YVONNE JOHNSON
APG News

The Directorate of Law Enforcement and Security is asking all members of the Aberdeen Proving Ground community to set time aside to remember all law enforcement officers who lost their lives in the line of duty during National Police Week, which is observed the week of May 15.

"National Police Week is a solemn period each year where every officer and citizen should reflect on those who have fallen to protect people and the laws they swore to uphold," said Maj. Joseph Darabasz, DLES Police Services Division. "This is the time of

the year when all people who are protected by the laws of this land should recognize that these laws are enforced by people we call police officers. Everyday they go out to enforce laws and protect citizens and many times they are met with circumstances that cost them their lives."

Darabasz said that the May 16 Catholic Service at the APG Chapel will be dedicated to all law enforcement officers and that all are welcome to attend.

"Police Week is more than just our profession's secretary's day," he said. "It should be celebrated in every city and town throughout the country."

Danielia Cotton to open Army Concert Tour

Story by
YVONNE JOHNSON
APG News

Rock music's newest songstress, Danielia Cotton, will open the Army Concert Tour featuring Lynard Skynard and 3 Doors Down to be held at Aberdeen Proving Ground's Shine Sports Field, 7 p.m., June 24.

For tickets, visit MWR Registration in building 3326, call 410-278-4907/4621/4011, TTY: 410-278-4110,



Photo courtesy of www.danielia.com

FAX 410-278-9083, e-mail mwr_registration@apg.army.mil or use Ticketmaster at 800-551-SEAT or www.ticketmaster.com.

For more information, visit the MWR Web site, www.apgmwr.com.

Danielia Cotton
www.danielia.com

Cotton's love of rock music crystallized the moment she wrapped her hands around her first electric guitar, a Fender Tele, and taught herself to play.

"An electric guitar can sound painful or bright," the up-and-coming songstress said. "Playing it is like putting on makeup for the first time: you start to live in a different world."

So who is Danielia Cotton?

Cotton is the product of all kinds of musical influences. Growing up as one of only seven black children attending Hopewell Valley High School, in rural Hopewell, N.J., Cotton was not exposed to rhythm and blues and hip-hop.

"I liked AC/DC, Judas Priest, Todd Rundgren," she recalled.

Raised by her mother, a gifted jazz singer, Cotton never knew her father. She often heard her mother and two

Army budget will have impact on family housing, other post activities

GAPG Public Affairs Office

Aberdeen Proving Ground's Garrison, along with every other Army Installation Management Agency activity, is faced with severe budget restrictions that could have a very direct impact on the services provided to those who live, work and play at the installation.

In a recent letter to garrison commanders throughout the agency, Maj. Gen. Michael D. Rochelle, director, IMA, said that competition from across the Army for limited resources will have an impact on IMA's ability to fund garrison activities throughout the agency.

"We remain an Army at war while in profound transformation," Rochelle said. "As a result we are faced with unprecedented financial challenges. Our top priority is to support the Global War on Terror while delivering the essential level of services to Soldiers and installations."

According to the director, IMA's budget shortfall for fiscal year 2006 could be as high as \$885 million.

Rochelle said, "...our prospects for [obtaining additional funding are] far from certain. Therefore, while we make every effort to obtain more resources, we must plan for the real possibility that competing priorities may win out."

Nancy Collins, GAPG resource management officer, said, "Our shortfall could be as much as \$34 million this fiscal year for Operations and Maintenance, Army accounts and an additional \$4 million for Army Family Housing. In fact, the projections for next year (fiscal year 2007) may be even more restrictive."

Col. John T. Wright, GAPG commander, said, "As Maj. Gen. Rochelle has said, we will make every effort to do the right thing, but the reality of the situation may just be too severe. My staff

is working very hard to make the budget restrictions as painless as possible."

One of the areas that will feel the impact is Family Housing.

According to Pat Hector, APG family housing manager, the "crunch" will come in the realm of maintenance and upkeep.

"We have always prioritized our service orders," Hector said. "Safety and health concerns always come at the front of the process. That's not going to change. The real difference is that much of the other repair and maintenance work will fall below the funding line. There is going to be a longer wait for things to get done and some of the work very well might not get done at all."

One example of work that may not get done is in the realm of heating/ventilation/air conditioning.

"We're just not going to be able to do the HVAC repairs and up keep that we're used to doing," Hector said. "In some cases, family housing residents may choose to contract and pay for their own HVAC repairs, but there are limits as to what is possible. For example, all repair work must be approved by the housing office. There are no exceptions. You won't just be able to call someone and have it done. All repairs must be made by a licensed contractor and the contractual agreement will be between you and the contractor. You will not be authorized to obligate the government in any way, and there can be no government reimbursement for the repairs."

According to Hector, service orders should still be submitted.

"Even though the work will not be accomplished, the service orders will be collected and retained, and when funding becomes available, we'll undertake the work," she said.

Hector also pointed out that residents

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Soldier show this weekend



Photo by TIM HIPPS, CFSC
The 2006 U.S. Army Soldier Show cast delivers a gospel medley of "Awesome God," "The Best Is Yet To Come" and "Sanctuary." The show comes to APG May 13 and 14. There will be a 2 p.m. show both days for active duty military and a 7 p.m., May 14 show open to the everyone.

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13 to be inducted into the Ordnance Corps Hall of Fame



Story by
KHAALID WALLS
OC&S

The Chief of Ordnance has announced the selection of 13 individuals for induction into the Ordnance Corps Hall of Fame. Maj. Gen. Vincent Boles noted that they will be inducted during ceremonies at the Ordnance Corps Museum, Aberdeen Proving Ground May 12.

Selected for induction (all retired ranks) are Historical inductees Cols. Paul N. Gillon and Edward Gluck and Contemporary inductees Maj. Gen. James R. Klugh, Brig. Gen. John G. Zierdt, Jr., Cols. Roger F. Brown, Werner G. Schmidt Jr., William J. Stoddart, Chief Warrant Officer 5 Larry W. Van Cleve, Chief Warrant Officer 4 Kenneth B. N. Hill, Command Sgt. Maj. Herbert Nicholson, Russell L. Childress Jr., Edward C. Starnes and Mrs. Claire B. Starnes.

Historical Inductees

Col. Paul N. Gillon

Gillon graduated from West Point in 1933. Commissioned in the Coast Artillery, he served at Forts Monroe and Story, Va., and Fort Kamehameha, Hawaii. In 1935, he was detailed to ordnance duty at the Hawaiian Ordnance Depot.

Gillon left Hawaii in 1937 to attend the Ordnance School, a two-year course that included training at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he earned a master’s degree.

In 1942, Gillon became deputy chief, Research and Materiels Division, Research and Development Service, in the Office of the Chief of Ordnance, Washington, D.C. He was instrumental in gaining approval and funding for the development of the world’s first electronic computer, the Electronic Numerical Integrator and Computer (ENIAC), a machine capable of carrying out ballistics computations in a fraction of the time of existing mechanical calculators.

Gillon later served as director of Research, Development, and Engineering at Watertown Arsenal from 1946 to 1950, where he initiated the Army’s titanium program and developed toughness requirements for steel plating. His final assignment was as commander, Office of Ordnance Research, where he oversaw a \$4 million research program carried out at 125 colleges and universities.

Gillon retired in 1956 and died in 1996 in Charleston, S.C.

Col. Edward Gluck

Gluck enlisted in the Coast Artillery in 1918 and served at Fort Hamilton, N.Y. He then served as a clerk at Camp Merritt, N.J., until discharged with the rank of sergeant in 1919. Gluck then pursued a career in law, before becoming an ordnance officer in 1927.

He served five tours of duty for ordnance schooling at APG and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology by 1939.

In 1940, Gluck was called to active duty. He was a student, then instructor, at the Army Industrial College until 1942. From 1942 to 1945, he served as the chief of the Legal Branch of the New York Ordnance District, which during his assignment let more than 20,000 contracts with a value of \$1.3 billion. Gluck continued to serve in the New York Ordnance District until 1950 in several positions, including district chief.

After two Asian tours, Gluck returned to the United States in 1953 to work in the Comptroller’s Office at APG, overseeing the development of the 1954 budget of \$50 million. He also served as special assistant to the APG chief of staff, conducting logistics, engineering, and financial management studies that improved APG’s efficiency while reducing costs.

This versatile, dedicated Soldier and lawyer served until his death in 1985, being at the time the oldest full-time Department of Defense employee at age 88. Gluck is buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

Contemporary Inductees

Maj. Gen. James R. Klugh

Klugh started his Army career as a reserve infantry officer and then received a regular Army commission in 1960 and a branch transfer to the Chemical Corps, where he served in a series of important positions in the V Corps Chemical Section in Germany; at Edgewood Arsenal; and as the division chemical officer in the 101st Airborne Division (Airmobile) in Vietnam.

With the disestablishment of the Chemical Corps in 1973, Klugh would again prove his versatility by embarking on a career in yet another branch—the Ordnance Corps. Graduating from the Army War College as an ordnance lieutenant colonel in 1975, he was

hand picked to serve as chief of staff of the U.S. Army Tank and Automotive Command, where he resolved major problems and improved the command’s relations with higher headquarters.

He was selected by the commander, U.S. Army Logistics Center, Fort Lee, Va., to serve there as deputy commander for Training Development. In this position, he developed the organization, doctrine and equipment requirements for the logistics elements of the Army’s light divisions.

He was later appointed deputy under secretary of defense for logistics, where he was instrumental in establishing the Department of Defense Total Asset Visibility Program, a global system for tracking the status of in-transit personnel, equipment and supplies.

He retired in 1990 after more than 36 years of service and a record of excellence in a range of branches and assignments.

Brig. Gen. John G. Zierdt Jr.

Zierdt graduated from West Point in 1966. Commissioned an infantry officer, he served in various assignments including duty in Vietnam. He then became an ordnance officer, attending the Ordnance Officers Advanced Course from 1969 to 1970 and earned a master’s in industrial engineering from Arizona State University in 1972.

After several overseas tours and staff positions stateside, Zierdt took command of the XVIII Airborne Corps’ 46th Support Group at Fort Bragg in 1988.

He deployed his 1,900 Soldiers to St. Croix, Virgin Islands, following Hurricane Hugo to provide disaster relief. He then took command of the XVIII Airborne Corps’ 1st Corps Support Command (COSCOM) in 1989, where he planned and provided logistics support for Operation Just Cause in Panama in 1989. During Desert Storm, he deployed the 1st COSCOM to Saudi Arabia and watched it grow from 6,000 to 24,000 Soldiers in support of an XVIII Airborne Corps that had grown to 120,000 Soldiers.

In his final assignment as FORSCOM’s J-4 (Logistics) in the mid 90s, he established a redistribution center to transfer and balance supplies between installations, saving 15 percent of annual costs. Finally, he established a series of regional repair centers to revitalize FORSCOM’s rebuild program.

Zierdt retired in 1995 after 29 years of service to the Army and the Ordnance Corps.

Col. Roger F. Brown

Brown graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1968 with a regular Army appointment, detailed as an armor officer.

He served in Vietnam from 1971 to 1972 as assistant battalion materiel officer, first with the 79th Maintenance Battalion and then with the 266th Supply and Service Battalion. He oversaw the successful contractor-operated classification and retrograde program involving thousands of vehicles and weapons.

After excelling in several command and staff positions, Brown later became the chief of the Department of the Army’s Stock Fund Depot Level Repairables Task Force. He managed a \$50 million implementation fund and established a pilot program in Korea.

He later took command of the 16th Corps Support Group in Germany, containing 5,000 Soldiers providing combat service support to two heavy divisions and an armored cavalry regiment.

Brown returned to the United States to serve from 1993 to 1995, as chief of the CS/CSS Common Systems Division, Force Development, Department of the Army Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations. His final assignment, from 1995 to 1998, was as chief of staff of the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command at APG, where he supervised an annual budget of over \$1 billion and managed a 12,800 military and civilian workforce.

Brown retired after 30 years of distinguished service to the Army and the Ordnance Corps.

Col. Werner G. Schmidt Jr.

Schmidt’s first tour of duty was with B Battery, 1st Battalion, 20th Artillery in the 4th Infantry Division at Fort Lewis, Wash.

From 1974 to 1975, he served as chief of

Inventory Branch, Defense Attaché Office Support Element in Vientiane, Laos, where he developed an inventory management system for the Royal Laotian Army. In addition, he played a key role in evacuating military dependents and civilians in the chaotic period following the takeover by the Communist Pathet Lao.

During the early 80s, while at the Department of the Army, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics in Washington, he was deputy director, then director of the DCSLOG Battle Staff, a select group of staff officers who managed force modernization and materiel fielding. Schmidt was next assigned to APG as chief of staff, Office of the Chief of Ordnance, from 1986 to 1988. Responsible for personnel proponency, he developed an ROTC recruiting program that enhanced the quality of cadets accessed to the Ordnance Corps.

In his last assignment, he served as garrison commander, Fort Lee, Va., where he led the garrison in winning first place in the Medium category of the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command’s Communities of Excellence competition.

Schmidt retired in 1993 after 30 years of service to the Army and the Ordnance Corps.

Col. William J. Stoddart

Stoddart graduated from the University of Nevada, Reno, in 1968 and was commissioned a second lieutenant. After a tour in Germany, Stoddart served, from 1970 to 1972, in South Vietnam, commanding the 85th Maintenance Company and then the 156th Heavy Equipment Maintenance Company. His last assignment in Vietnam was as executive and materiel officer of the 92nd Service Battalion, where he established a model de-processing facility at Da Nang for retrograding units and equipment.

Excelling scholastically, he was selected for and graduated from an exchange program with the British Army’s Armour-Infantry Course at the Royal Armour Center and School in 1977, followed by graduation from the U.S. Army’s Command and General Staff College in 1980.

From 1982 to 1984, Stoddart served as executive officer to the commanding general, TACOM, at Warren, Mich., and next commanded the Detroit Army Tank Plant for two years, where he oversaw the phase-out of M60 tank production while phasing in M1 tank production and simultaneously increasing production rates.

In his final assignment, from 1992 to 1995, Stoddart served as program executive officer, Tactical Wheeled Vehicles, fielding the Family of Medium Tactical Vehicles and the armored High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle.

Stoddart retired in 1995, but continues to serve and support the Soldier as president of the Defense Division of the Oshkosh Truck Company, a military contractor.

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Larry W. Van Cleve

Van Cleve joined the Army in 1963, completed basic and advanced individual training at Fort Ord, Calif., and then served as a wheeled vehicle mechanic in the 3rd Infantry Division in Germany.

In 1973, Van Cleve was appointed warrant officer and assigned to Bamberg, Germany, as a maintenance technician for the 6th Battalion, 10th Field Artillery.

From 1979 to 1983, he was assigned to the 88th Maintenance Company in Hanau, Germany, as production control officer, overseeing a 5-ton truck rebuild program.

In 1989, he went to Yemen as executive officer of a Technical Assistance Field Team where he led a team of automotive and armament maintenance experts to remote Yemen Army outposts to restore their equipment and to train mechanics.

During Operation Joint Endeavor in Bosnia, he oversaw the M1 Tank Engine Repair Program, the Operational Readiness Float Program, the Modification Work Order Program, the General Support/ Depot Warranty Program, New Equipment Materiel Fielding, Fleet Refurbishment Program and a 50-man, \$4 million contract maintenance team operation.

While serving as the regimental chief warrant officer of the Ordnance Corps, Van Cleve

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DTC to rename conference room for Soldier killed in Iraq

DTC

The Command Conference Room in the U.S. Army Developmental Test Command headquarters building on Aberdeen Proving Ground will be renamed to honor Pfc. Eric P. Woods, an Army medic killed by an improvised explosive device in Iraq.

The renaming ceremony will be held in front of APG’s Ryan Building (building 314) 10 a.m., May 23 with Woods’ widow, Jamie Marie Woods, participating in the ceremony.

DTC is the technical tester for the Army Test and Evaluation Command and has been heavily involved in testing systems designed to improve protection of Soldiers from the IED threat. ATEC’s commander, Maj. Gen. James Myles, saw it as the appropriate organization to honor the Soldier’s memory.

Woods, a 26-year-old native of Urbandale, Iowa, who before joining the Army lived in Omaha, Neb., was assigned to the Sabre Squadron of the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment at Fort Carson, Colo. He was killed July 9, 2005, when the medical troop carrier he was driving was hit by a roadside blast

near Tal Afar.

Woods had stopped to aid a fellow Sabre Squadron Soldier who had been wounded, first

tribute to Woods with the following words from a poem titled “I am the Medic:”

“I stand with you today as an Angel of Mercy. Wherever brave men fight and die, wherever the best serve, I am there to serve America’s best. I am a medic. I serve.”

In addition to his widow, Woods is survived by his son, Eric Scott Woods, and his parents, Charles and Janis Woods.

The elder Woods told an Associated Press reporter that his son had talked to his family only hours before he died, saying during the phone call that he had turned down an offer to be moved from the

front lines of the war.

For more information, contact Gary Holloway or Mike Cast, 410-278-1141/1143.

Traffic to be rerouted during ceremony

Roads leading to APG’s Ryan Building (building 314) will be temporarily closed on May 23 to accommodate a ceremony dedicating one of DTC’s conference rooms to a fallen Soldier.

Barricades will be placed at three intersections – where Aberdeen Boulevard forks into Colleran Road and Longs Corner Road; where Johnson Street intersects Longs Corner Road; and where Longs Corner Road intersects Plum Point Loop.

The shutdown will begin at approximately 9:55 a.m., and last no longer than one hour.



Pfc. Eric P. Woods



Post Deployment Health Reassessment Protocol at KUSAHC

Action required by all returning deployed Soldiers

KUSAHC

The Post Deployment Health Reassessment is a new and important part of the post deployment process.

The main goal of its implementation is the continued care of the returning military personnel assigned or attached to tenant units at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

The PDHRA is required for all service members who returned from deployment after March 10, 2005. This includes active, reserve and National Guard components. It is the responsibility of each unit’s commander to ensure that deployed Soldiers complete the PDHRA process three to six months after post deployment.

The PDHRA process starts when the service

member logs into AKO to initiate the survey.

Soldiers are to go to the “My Medical Readiness” page and then select “DHA” in the Deployment Health Assessment Section. This will transfer to MODS and the various deployment health assessments available. Once the PDHRA (DD2900) has been selected the service member can start a new survey or edit a survey that was started previously. Soldiers are to contact the Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic Call Center at 410-278-5475 to reserve their position for the briefing and schedule an appointment to see the health care provider. Surveys must be complete prior to the briefing.

The point of contact for this information is Sgt. Nathanael Phillips, SRP and Mobilization NCO, 410-278-1865.

Celebrating nurses’ strength, commitment, compassion

KUSAHC

The observance of Nurses Week begins each year on May 6 and ends May 12, Florence Nightingale's birthday.

At Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic, there is more than 517 years of nursing experience -- five centuries worth.

There is a lot of change and staffing shifts going on these days at KUSAHC so it does take strength, commitment and compassion to provide quality care.

Nurses come in a variety of skill sets to make the team. There are ambulatory care nurses, nurse administrators, nurse educators, nurse practitioners and occupational and community health nurses.



Channel 21 features Pentagon Channel programming

As of April 3, the Pentagon Channel will feature the following programs on Channel 21. These programs are subject to change each week and will be updated accordingly.			
Monday	ATS Reloaded, 5:30 a.m.	p.m.	Focus on the Force, 6:30 p.m.
	American Veteran, 9:30 a.m.	Army Newswatch, 9:30 a.m. and 9:30 p.m.	ATS Reloaded, 7 p.m.
	Army Newswatch, 11 a.m.	American Veteran, 1 p.m.	Saturday
	Inside Afghanistan/FJ Iraq, 1 p.m.	Inside Afghanistan/Freedom Journal Iraq, 2 p.m.	Around the Services, 5:30 a.m.
	Around the Services, 5:30 p.m.	RECON, 3:30 p.m.	Inside Afghanistan/VA News, 7:30 a.m.
	Focus on the Force, 10 p.m.	Focus on the Force, 6:30 p.m.	American Veteran, 1:30 p.m.
Tuesday	Around the Services, 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.	Thursday	Army Healthwatch, 2 p.m.
	RECON, 11 a.m.	Around the Services, 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.	ATS Reloaded, 5:30 p.m.
	Focus on the Force, 1 p.m.	Army Newswatch, 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.	Battleground, 7 p.m.
	Army Newswatch, 3 p.m.	Freedom Journal Iraq/Inside Afghanistan, Noon	Sunday
	Freedom Journal Iraq/Inside Afghanistan, 4 p.m.	Focus on the Force, 1 p.m.	ATS Reloaded, 5:30 a.m., 9:30 p.m.
	Army Newswatch, 7 p.m.	RECON, 3:30 p.m.	Freedom Journal Iraq, 10:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Around the Services, 8 a.m., 8 p.m.	American Veteran, 5 p.m.	Today's Military, 1 p.m.
		Friday	Around the Service, 7:30 p.m.
		Around the Services, 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.	Army Newswatch – Bi-weekly report on the men and women of the Army.
		Army Newswatch, 10:30 a.m.	Around the Services – From the Pentagon Channel NewsCenter, daily half-hour program featuring military news from top defense officials and the military services from
		RECON, Noon	
		American Veteran, 2:30 p.m.	
		Freedom Journal Iraq/Inside Afghanistan, 4 p.m.	

Community Notes

FRIDAY MAY 12 TEEN DANCE

The Ladies Auxiliary of Water Witch Fire Company, Station 72 Woodlawn located on 1 Bill Amoss Way, Port Deposit, will sponsor a teen dance, 7 to 11 p.m., for students in grades 9 through 12. Student IDs or a driver's license will be required for entry. Cost is \$5 per person. Refreshments will be available for purchase. Events include a dance contest and door prizes. Absolutely no alcohol allowed.

For more information, call 410-378-4835.

SATURDAY MAY 13 COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

St. James A.M.E. Church, 615 Green Street, Havre de Grace, is sponsoring a Community Health Fair 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Upper Chesapeake

health van will be at this family-oriented event and will offer blood pressure screening, cholesterol testing, education/handouts on diabetes, diet and obesity in children and young adults, children against tobacco use, Alzheimer's disease and more.

For more information, call 410-939-2267.

TURKEY SUPPER

The Pilottown Rod and Gun Club, located on Belle Manor Road, Conowingo, will hold a turkey supper, 1 to 5 p.m., to benefit the Rod and Gun Club. Tickets cost \$9 per person for a family-style dinner, eat-in or carryout. Children under 6 years of age eat free. Tickets are available at the door.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 410-378-2221, Pat Job, 410-658-5628 or 410-378-0096.

GARDEN EXPLORATION

Enjoy nature's spectacle and its unique connection with

the wildlife exploring Leight Park's gardens. This program is free and runs from 3 to 4:30 p.m. for all ages. Reservations are required. For information, directions to the Anita C. Leight Estuary Center or to make a reservation, call 410-612-1688 or 410-879-2000, ext. 1688.

BASKET BINGO

Basket Bingo to benefit VFW Post 8185 will be held at VFW Post 8185, Route 222, Port Deposit. Doors open at 6 p.m., Bingo starts at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$10 per person for all paper cards. Food, beverages, baked goods, door prizes and raffles will be available. No smoking is allowed.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call Anne Gibson, 410-378-3338, Kathy, 410-378-3594, or VFW Post 8185, 410-642-9297.

SUNDAY MAY 14 AREYOU MY MOTHER?

Do all animal mothers take care of their young? Bring mom and a favorite stuffed animal to hear a story and learn about animal moms. Dads are welcome too. This program is free and runs from 2 to 3 p.m. for ages 2 through 5 with an adult. Reservations are required.

For information, directions to the Anita C. Leight Estuary Center or to make a reservation, call 410-612-1688 or 410-879-2000, ext. 1688.

MONDAY MAY 15 TOASTMASTERS

Gunpowder Toastmasters Club 2562 will meet at 11:40 a.m. at the Gunpowder Club, E-4650, on Parrish Road.

The daytime club offers an opportunity for people at APG and the local community to improve their communications, leadership and

speaking abilities and to overcome their fear of public speaking. Lunch will be available.

For more information, call Len Kolodny at 410-734-6573.

FRIDAY MAY 19 BASKET BINGO

Basket Bingo to benefit Relay for Life will be held 10 p.m. at the Edgewood High School cafeteria. Doors will open 9:15 p.m. This event will take place during the Relay for Life event. Tickets cost \$12 for 12 games. Extra packets are available for \$5. Specials and raffles will be available. Light packaged snacks and beverages will be available. No Smoking.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call Brenda Conjour, 410-273-7332.

SATURDAY MAY 20 BASKET BINGO

Basket Bingo to benefit Relay for Life - Bethany's Buddies, will be held at the Good Shepherd Catholic School, 800 Aiken Avenue, Perryville. Doors open at 6 p.m., Bingo starts at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$10 per person for all paper cards, extra packs cost \$5 each. Refreshments, door prizes and raffles will be available. No smoking is allowed.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call Anne Gibson, 410-378-3338 or JoAnne Bierly, 410-378-3320.

PRIZE BINGO LUNCHEON

The Pilottown Rod and Gun Club, located on Belle Manor Road, Conowingo, will hold a Prize Luncheon Bingo to benefit the Ladies Auxiliary to the Rod and Gun Club. Doors open at 11 a.m., bingo begins at noon. Tickets cost \$15 and includes paper packet for 20 games and lunch;

extra packets cost \$5. Cost for children under 10 years of age is \$10 with no extra packets. Tickets are available at the door. Door prizes, refreshments, raffles and more will be available. All children must be accompanied by an adult. No smoking is permitted in the club.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 410-378-2221, 410-658-5628 or 410-378-0096.

SUNDAY MAY 21 TIN FOIL MEAL MAGIC

Learn a few outdoor cooking tricks. Lunch will be provided. The fee for this program is \$4 and is for ages 8 through adult. It runs from 11 a.m. to noon. Reservations are required.

For information, directions to the Anita C. Leight Estuary Center or to make a reservation, call 410-612-1688 or 410-879-2000, extension 1688.

HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT AND PIG ROAST

American Legion Post 135 located on 300 Cherry Street, Perryville, will hold a Horseshoe Tournament and Pig Roast 1 to 5 p.m. Entry fee is \$20 per person and includes a pig roast for participants. Food and beverages will be available. Draw for teams; double eliminations. To practice early, ask the bartender for horseshoes.

For more information, call 410-642-2771.

TUESDAY MAY 23 RETIRED EMPLOYEES MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The National Active and Retired Association of Retired Federal Employees, NARFE, is seeking new members. The Bel Air Chapter 1770 NARFE will hold a social event/fund raiser, 5 to 9 p.m., at Friendly's Restaurant located on 353 South Main Street. A percentage of the profits from food and drinks purchased will benefit NARFE. Their primary mission is to protect the pay and benefits of both active and retired federal employees.

For more information, call Elaine Watkins, chapter president, at 410-420-6952.

WEDNESDAY MAY 24 WEDNESDAY WEE WONDERS

Join a naturalist and her wee one for a critter encounter and hike. This tree program is for children up to age 4 and runs from 1 to 2 p.m. Reservations are required.

For information, directions to the Anita C. Leight Estuary

The American Veteran - A half-hour video news magazine designed to inform veterans, their families and their communities about the services and benefits they have earned through their service to America and to recognize and honor that service.

Battleground - Every weekend, this series features historic films from World War II, Korean War, and the Vietnam War. A Pentagon Channel Original Series.

Focus on the Force – A weekly program highlighting missions, operations and people of the U.S. military.

Inside Afghanistan – Presents the latest from Operation Enduring Freedom, showing the activities of American troops in country.

ATS Reloaded – ATS-Reloaded revisits the best of the week and keeps viewers updated on information that's important.

Center or to make a reservation, call 410-612-1688 or 410-879-2000, extension 1688.

SATURDAY MAY 27 PICK UP STICKS

For one day only, get a 'Picking Permit' to find, make and take a walking stick home. The fee is \$3 and is for ages 6 to 11 with an adult and 12 to adult from 2 to 4 p.m. Reservations are required. For information, directions to the Anita C. Leight Estuary Center or to make a reservation, call 410-612-1688 or 410-879-2000, extension 1688.

LOOM BEADING

Learn how to craft an intricate pattern on a loom to create a traditional Native American bead project. The fee is \$10 and is for ages 12 through adult from 1 to 3 p.m. Reservations are required.

For information, directions to the Anita C. Leight Estuary Center or to make a reservation, call 410-612-1688 or 410-879-2000, extension 1688.

SATURDAY JUNE 3 MILITARY HONORS

The USO of Metropolitan Washington and DC United, Washington, D.C.'s MLS soccer team, will hold Military Appreciation Night events before and during the 7:30 p.m. game against the New England Revolution.

Five hundred free tickets are available at the USO's five family outreach centers located at Fort Myer Community Center, 228 McNair Road, building 405; Fort Belvoir, SOSA Recreation Center, 6900 Belvoir Road; Indian Head, 14 Strauss Avenue; Bellvue, Bolling AFB Community Center, One Cargo Court; and Woodbridge Run, 1400 Eisenhower Circle.

Events honoring the nation's military will include a pre-game festival, a military fly-over, exhibitions by military drill and performance teams and more. The USO Liberty Belles will perform the national anthem. DC United will present a check to the USO to help fund its efforts to "serve those who serve ... and their families" during the game.

All active duty service members, all ranks are eligible for the tickets.

For recorded information on these or other tickets, contact the USO TicketLine, 703-696-2551.

(Editors Note: More calendar events can be seen at www.apgnews.apg.army.mil under Cmty. Notes.)

Post Shorts

For more information, call Judy Matthews, 410-278-1017

Alert to APG community

Aberdeen Test Center will support a series of training exercises which may result in noise through June 9.

Residents and boaters in the surrounding communities may hear weapons firing and observe aircraft flying at low altitudes. Illumination devices may create flashes of light visible off-post. Activity may take place in the installation’s restricted waters and/or in the air, over both land and water, and may include weapons firing and use of air and water-craft.

For complaints or more information, call 410-278-1147, 410-278-1153 or 1-800-688-8705.

Nurses Week recognized at KUSAHC

"Nurses: Strength, Commitment, Compassion" is the theme for the 2006 National Nurses Week, celebrated May 6 through 12 each year.

At Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic the nursing staff will be treated to lunch and provided a pen with this year’s logo on it to thank them for their dedication, commitment, compassion and strength each day.

The administration at KUSAHC recognizes that nurses are key to the success of seeing and treating patients in a manner that provides quality health care in the most friendly and efficient way.

Volunteer LPNs and RNs needed

Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic needs volunteer licensed practical nurses and registered nurses to assist with clinical duties. Students are welcome.

For more information, call Maj. Kathy Reynolds-Presper, 410-278-1813.

Thrift Shops holds \$2 bag sale in May

Throughout May, the Thrift Shop will hold a \$2 bag sale in the Bargain Room.

Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Wednesday; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursday; and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the first Saturday of the month.

For information, call during shop hours only, 410-272-8572.

Road closure for ceremony tomorrow

The U.S. Army Ordnance Center and Schools will host a Retreat Ceremony May 12. To support the ceremony, Aberdeen Boulevard will be closed to vehicular traffic from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Aberdeen Boulevard will be blocked between Boothby Hill Road/Aberdeen Boulevard and Belair Street/Aberdeen Boulevard.

Hydrant flushing in May

Fire hydrant flushing in the Aberdeen Area of APG is scheduled through June 16. The city of Aberdeen will perform annual hydrant flushing starting with the family housing area starting at 4 p.m., Monday through Friday of each week.

Through May 12, flushing will include blocks 2400, 2300, 2200, 2100, 200, Plumb Point Housing, 300 Block and Spesutie Island.

May 15 through 19, flushing will include blocks 1000, 700 and 500.

May 22 through 26, flushing will include blocks 300, 200 and 400.

May 30 through June 2, flushing will include blocks 600, 3000 and 4000 blocks.

June 5 through 16, flushing will include blocks 3000 and 4000.

Boat club holds Safety Expo

The Spesutie Island Boating Activity will hold a Safety Expo 9 a.m. to noon, May 20, featuring boat inspections from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. only, a safety video, a flare display, a heaving line demonstration, Coast Guard representation, APG Fire Department and U.S. Army Aberdeen Test Center boat displays and, weather permitting, other demonstrations. Coffee and donuts will be available. All are welcome.

For more information, call Tim Sprucebank, 410-278-5618.

"Thank a Military Spouse" Writing Contest

In honor of Military Spouse Appreciation month, **Military.com** is holding its first-ever "Thank a Military Spouse" writing contest.

The Military.com editorial staff will judge all of the entries. The first place winner will win a 2 GB Apple iPod nano and 10 runners-up will receive one Military.com T-shirt. The winners will also have their articles featured on Military.com and the upcoming Military.com newsletters. Deadline is May 20.

Now is the chance to acknowledge and appreciate a spouse’s hard work while the service member is protecting the country.

For rules, visit http://www.military.com/spouse/ThankASpouse_Rules.

Traffic to be rerouted during ceremony

Roads leading to APG’s Ryan Building, building 314, will be temporarily closed on May 23 to accommodate a ceremony dedicating one of DTC’s conference rooms to a fallen Soldier.

Barricades will be placed at three intersections – where Aberdeen Boulevard forks into Colleran Road and Longs Corner Road; where Johnson Street intersects Longs Corner Road; and where Longs Corner Road intersects Plum Point Loop.

The shutdown will begin at approximately 9:55 a.m., and last no longer than one hour. During this time traffic will be diverted to an alternate route.

American Legion holds Memorial Day Service

American Legion Post 135 located on 300 Cherry Street, Perryville, will hold its annual Memorial Day Service, May 29, 11 a.m. The club and bar will be closed during the ceremony. Refreshments will be served after the service.

For more information, call 410-642-2771.

Family Child Care Providers needed

Family Child Care training will be conducted June 5 through 9 at the Army Community Services building on APG. Applicants who are interested in providing home-based childcare in either the Edgewood or Aberdeen area are encouraged to apply.

Being a professionally trained provider in a home environment offers many benefits: potential for over \$500 per week; self employment; free training in a marketable profession; opportunity to market a self-owned business on the Army’s FCC on line Web site; transferable credit to Army installations world wide; free use of lending library; free monthly newsletter; free workshops (nutrition, health, child development, safety, CPR, taxes), participation in the National CDA credential program, the USDA food program, and the National Family Child Care Home Accreditation program. Providers are also eligible to receive college credit for Army child development training.

Childcare is provided during the week of training.

For more information and to pick up an application, visit the FCC office located on APG on Rodman Road, building 2752 or call 410-278-8720/7140.

Veterans Appreciation Day

The Washington Nationals

will host a Veterans Appreciation Day, June 14, at the Nationals vs. the Colorado Rockies baseball game. All veterans, active duty and their families are invited to attend the game at half price. For information and to purchase tickets, visit www.nationals.com/militarydiscount.

(Editors Note: More shorts can be seen at www.apgnews.apg.army.mil under Shorts.)

Fame

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was instrumental in implementing the Standard Army Tool Sets program, which modernized and streamlined all tool sets and kits.

Van Cleve retired in 2003 after more than 37 years of service, but continues his contributions to the Army and the Ordnance Corps as a civilian logistics management specialist with the U.S. Army Materiel Command.

Chief Warrant Officer 4 Kenneth B.N. Hill

Hill joined the Army in 1974. He first served in the 782nd Maintenance Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C., where, despite his junior grade, he excelled as an automotive technical inspector, and then as maintenance control clerk and production control specialist, despite not being formally trained for those duties.

He left active duty in 1982, serving as a drilling reservist with the 330th Engineer Battalion in Pennsylvania. In 1983, he became a full-time reservist and motor sergeant of the battalion's Company C, winning an impressive string of maintenance awards.

In 1987, Hill was appointed warrant officer and assigned as maintenance technician for B Battery, 1/1 Air Defense Artillery Battalion in Germany.

In 1989, he wrote a comprehensive maintenance standard operating procedure and instituted a training program for drivers and mechanics while also running a Transportation Motor Pool of non-tactical vehicles supporting three battalions at remote sites. Hill then served at a number of units where he was directly responsible for achieving record equipment readiness rates.

From 1999 to 2002, he served as branch chief, Warrant Officer Advanced

Course, at the OC&S at APG, where he revised the warrant officer technical training. Hill retired in 2002, but continues his considerable contributions as a civilian instructor in the Ordnance Mechanical Maintenance School's Command and Staff Department, where he is the recognized expert on the Army's automated maintenance management system.

Command Sgt. Maj. Herbert Nicholson

Nicholson joined the Army in 1972 and served numerous tours both stateside and overseas.

After reaching the highest enlisted rank, Nicholson embarked on a series of demanding assignments as a command sergeant major, starting in 1990 with the 13th Supply and Service Battalion, part of the 2nd Corps Support Command in Germany where he deployed with the battalion for Operation Desert Shield/Storm. In late 1991, the battalion relocated to Fort Benning, Ga., and was redesignated the 13th Corps Support Battalion.

In 1993, Nicholson again deployed with the battalion, this time to Somalia. In 1994, he went back to Germany to serve as command sergeant major of Combat Equipment Group, Europe, moving with the group to Kerkraade in the Netherlands in December 1995.

In 1997, Nicholson was selected to be the command sergeant major of the U.S. Army Tank, Automotive, and Armaments Command (TAA-COM), Warren, Mich. In this assignment, he was the principal advisor to the commanding general on Soldier and morale issues in a command containing 200 Soldiers and 11,000 DA civilians.

While assigned to TAA-COM, he mentored five other sergeants major in the TAA-COM organization and devised a Delayed Entry Program with the Great Lakes Recruiting Battalion that greatly boosted enlistments.

Nicholson retired in 2003 after 30 years of service to the Army and the Ordnance

Corps.

Russell L. Childress Jr.

Childress began his career in the U.S. Army Reserve in 1967 as a maintenance officer in the 310th Logistical Command in Washington, D.C. In 1968, he was selected to serve as aide de camp to the deputy commanding general, 310th Logistical Command, and then from 1969 to 1973 as aide de camp to the commanding general of the redesignated 310th Field Army Support Command.

He later excelled in many staff positions before his final assignment as commander, 2076th U.S. Army Reserve Forces School, Wilmington, Del. In that role, he implemented a unique program for weekend maintenance training at APG for more than 200 National Guard and Reserve Soldiers. Childress retired from the U.S. Army Reserve in 1992.

Long before that, however, he had begun his other career as a DA civilian, working for OC&S starting in 1973. He quickly progressed and served in a series of positions where he pioneered the establishment of Regional Training Sites-Maintenance and played a key role implementing the Chief of Staff of the Army's Award for Maintenance Excellence Program.

In recognition of his expertise as an educator and training manager, Childress was promoted to senior civilian and technical director at OC&S, a position later redesignated deputy assistant commandant.

Childress retired in 2001, adding 28 years of service as a DA civilian to his 28 years of contributions to the Ordnance Corps as a U.S. Army reservist.

Claire B. Starnes

Starnes joined the Army in 1963. From 1964 to 1969, she served consecutively at the Communications Centers at Fort MacArthur, Calif.; Camp Zama, Japan; and Fort Sill, Okla.

In 1969, Starnes volunteered for duty in Vietnam.

She initially served with the U.S. Army Engineer Construction Agency Vietnam, at Long Binh, but was then hand picked to oversee the establishment of a publications section at Headquarters, Military Assistance Command Vietnam.

In 1971, she was assigned to the U.S. Continental Army Command Public Information Office at Fort Monroe, Va. Using the skills learned in her previous assignment, she automated the production of the command's newspaper. Staff Sgt. Starnes left the service in 1973 to pursue a career as a DA civilian, becoming Fort Monroe's first civilian public information officer. In 1986, Starnes was personally recruited to move to APG to edit and manage the Ordnance Corps's professional journal, *Ordnance Magazine*.

She developed a computer-based graphics design package for OC&S' Graphics Department and also used the magazine's editing and layout capabilities to produce specialty publications to keep ordnance Soldiers abreast of major programs and changes.

Starnes retired in 1994 but continues to serve her country as an active participant in veterans' affairs, co-founding the Vietnam Women's Veterans organization.

Edward C. Starnes

Starnes enlisted in the Army in 1969, serving as a military journalist and newspaper editor at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and Fort Monroe, Va.

After a number of years as an Army journalist, Starnes joined the civilian ranks and rose to deputy public affairs officer, U.S. Air Defense Artillery Center, Fort Bliss, Texas.

In 1987, he accepted the position of communications coordinator for the OC&S at APG. He contributed to countless Army publications and wrote dozens of poignant and memorable speeches for the Chief of Ordnance and other leaders.

Becoming a self-taught master Web designer, he developed, launched, and maintained the Ordnance Corps's first Web site.

In the mid-1990s, Starnes noticed that the Ordnance Corps, unlike many of the other branches of the Army, did not have an official prayer. On his own initiative, he wrote an inspirational prayer that the Chief of Ordnance, then Maj. Gen. John G. Coburn, approved as the official Corps prayer on March 4, 1994.

In 1996, his astute public affairs expertise helped lead the Ordnance Center and Schools through a highly publicized sexual scandal.

He championed OC&S's participation in the Army Adopt-A-School Program, winning for the Ordnance Corps the Army's top award for Outstanding Community Service.

Starnes retired from federal service in January 2005 after more than 35 years of service. He died unexpectedly a month later after moving to New Hampshire.

Pedal power: Bike-to-Work Day 2006 scheduled

Story by
ROLAND FORNOFF
DSHE – Ecco Verde, Inc.

As part of Baltimore’s Metro area Clean Commute Month, the sixth annual Bike-to-Work Day will be held May 19.

From 7 to 9 a.m., commuters in Harford County are invited to join local radio and television personality Steve Rouse to kick off the event at the Harford County Government Center located at 220 South Main Street in Bel Air.

The morning will start off with a bicycle parade down Main Street, followed by a brief reception. Massages, refreshments, and prizes will be available for registered participants.

Attendees can also learn about alternative transportation as they Tour de Harford’s–Cool Commuter-ville area.

For veteran Bike to Work Day goers, there will be a new competition this year involving employers--the First Ever Briefcase Challenge. The employer with the most registered participants will win a trophy and have their name on a Harford Commuter Assistance ad and Web site.

To register for the event, click on “Bike to Work” at www.harfordcountymd.gov/commuter.

Registered participants will receive a T-shirt and have the opportunity to win a bicycle or electric scooter. The electric scooter is courtesy of X-treme Scooters of Bel Air, Inc.

Employers interested in finding out more about the Briefcase Challenge should contact Lyndi Richards at llrichards@harfordcountymd.gov or call 410-638-3103, ext. 1387.

For people new to bicycle



commuting, there are several area activities to help them.

Harford Velo Cycling Club is sponsoring Fun and Fit rides 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday through July at the Churchville Elementary school parking lot. Helmets are required. It will include safety, traffic rules and introductory rides up to 7 miles. For additional information, contact Harford velo at harfordvelo@hotmail.com.

Aberdeen Proving Ground Morale Welfare and Recreation is sponsoring a lunch time seminar noon to 2 p.m., May 18 on “How to bicycle to work” at the Aberdeen Recreation Center, building 3326. There will be additional seminars May 16, 5 to 7 p.m. at the Aberdeen Recreation center, building 3326 and 10 a.m. to noon, May 20 at the Hoyle Fitness Center, building E-4210. For additional information contact Charles Heinsohn, 410-278-3868.

Every day, the Baltimore-Washington region sees nearly 4 million people commute to work. Roughly three quarters of these commuters drive alone in their personal vehicles, significantly contributing to the pollution that causes

poor air quality.

By Environmental Protection Agency estimates, if 2.5 percent of car commutes were made by bicycle instead, vehicle emissions could be reduced by nearly five percent.

If unable to bike to work, consider other fuel saving options such as carpooling or public transportation, both viable opportunities to help reduce pollution while saving money on gas. Additional information on clean commuting options in Harford County will be available at the event.

Aberdeen Proving Ground, the largest Harford County employer, encourages civilian and military employees to participate in the event sponsored by the Harford County Department of Planning and Zoning and supported by the Harford County Commuter Assistance and the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board. Similar events will take place in Baltimore City, Towson and Annapolis

If planning on participating in Bike-to-Work Day, here are some safety tips:

- Have the bike inspected by a saftey or bicycle expert
- Always wear a helmet to protect the head in the event of

a crash;

- Obey all traffic signs, signals and lane markings;
- Look before changing lanes or signaling a turn; indicate intention, then act;
- Ride in the right-most lane that goes in the direction the biker is traveling
- Be visible and predictable at all times; wear bright clothing and signal turns.

Safe Bicycling booklets and computer discs are available for free while supplies last at all Harford County Public Library branches. The materials include information about safe bicycling for adults and children. Topics include equipping a bike, maintenance checks, traffic basics, locking a bike, helmets, trail riding and various safety scenarios.

Upcoming APG Chapel events

OPENINGS FOR CHILD WATCH CARE CONTRACT POSITIONS

Military families are constantly relocating. There are three child watch positions open that need to be filled within a short period of time. Child watch contractors need to be flexible on their days and times. If interested, contact the Main Post Chapel, 410-278-4333 or e-mail Yun.Kim@apg.army.mil or joyce.lee.wood@apg.army.mil.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2006

APG Vacation Bible School will be 6 to 8:30 p.m., Aug. 7 through 11. More information will be forthcoming.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Classes for pre-schoolers through high school aged students for the Protestant, Gospel and Catholic Chapel communities are still in session. Registration is always open. For more information, contact the Main Post

Chapel, 410-278-2516/4333.

WALK THRU THE BIBLE

The Old Testament Walk Thru the Bible program/training is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 23, at the Main Post Chapel. More information will be forthcoming as the date draws nearer.

NCO, SOLDIER OF THE YEAR COMPETITION NAMES APG'S TOP TROOPS



Aberdeen Proving Ground and RDECOM Soldier of the Year, Spc. Joseph Krafft, performs the correct way to do cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

Story and photos by
Trinace Johnson
RDECOM

At the end of nearly a week of competing for the Aberdeen Proving Ground Noncommissioned Officer and Soldier of the Year competition, hosted by the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, two Soldiers were selected as APG's cream of the crop.

Staff Sgt. Timothy Inman and Spc. Joseph Krafft took home the top titles the week of April 17.

Krafft also won the RDECOM SOY competition which was held simultaneously with APG's, during which Staff Sgt. Veronica Moore was named the RDECOM NCO of the Year.

Inman is a sampling team leader with the Joint Response Team, Company A, 22nd Chemical Battalion, and Krafft is a bass player with the 389th Army Band (AMC's Own). Moore is a human resource specialist with the U.S. Army Research Laboratory, Adelphi, Md.

"It was very encouraging and motivating to see our Soldiers compete," said RDECOM Command Sgt. Maj. Eloy Alcivar.

"They all did well and they are

ready to compete and win at higher levels," Alcivar said.

"All of the competitors were extremely knowledgeable and professional, so it made for some good competition," Inman said, adding that the overall level of difficulty was fairly high, but some tasks were easier than others.

Over the course of four days, the Soldiers were tested on their knowledge of day and night navigation, warrior tasks, the live firing of weapons and 100 multiple choice questions extracted from skill levels I and II common training tasks. In addition, they had to take a physical training test and write an essay in one hour on this year's topic: "Expectations of a pentathlete, multi-task Soldier and NCO."

"It was a very comprehensive competition. I feel very satisfied to have been able to complete all the tasks," Krafft said.

"I accomplished a goal and it was a good stepping stone for me and females in my unit," Moore added.

There will be a formal ceremony and awards luncheon for all of the installation's Soldiers and NCOs of the Year at Top of the Bay May 18.



Spc. Phara Pierre-Toussaint, ARL, disassembles an M16A2 as part of her tasks.



After the initial CPR tasks are over, all the competing Soldiers get a quick overview.



Spc. Phineas Jackson, 9th Army Medical Laboratory, does a common check during the competition as evaluator Staff Sgt. Sean Schmidt listens for accuracy.



Spc. Nicholas Kirschten, U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense, demonstrates how to do chest compressions on Sgt. 1st Class Nancy Liberty, Company A, 16th Ordnance Battalion.



Sgt. Pacheco Nixon, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 16th Ordnance Battalion, explains the proper way to clean an M249 Squad Automatic weapon (SAW) during his evaluation.



Morale, Welfare & Recreation

CRD to sponsor Army 10-miler team

Story by
YVONNE JOHNSON
APG News

Active duty Soldiers interested in running in the 2006 Army Ten-Miler, set for Oct. 8 in Washington, D.C., should contact Morale, Welfare and Recreation's Community Recreation Division.

The CRD Sports Branch will sponsor two eight-person teams to represent Aberdeen Proving Ground in the 22nd running of the Army 10-miler, said sports director Ralph Cuomo.

"This is the first time MWR has sponsored teams to represent APG," Cuomo said.

Participation on Team APG is limited to active duty Army personnel assigned to APG, he added.

The CRD will pay the entry fee, provide race day transportation and a team shirt to all qualifiers for the D.C. event, he added.

"We want Soldiers who'd like to participate to be able to participate," Cuomo said.

A qualifying five-mile run will be held 8 a.m., June 11, at Hoyle Gym and Fitness Center, building E-4210. Interested runners must pre-register no later than June 5.

Qualifying runners must then provide a signed statement from their commander authorizing them to participate in the Army 10-Miler event.

This is not a Commander's Cup event.

For more information, call Cuomo at 410-278-3812 or Capt. Kirk Pietsch, 143rd Ordnance Battalion, 410-436-9677, or visit the Army Ten-Miler Web site at www.armytenmiler.com.

APG organizations returning to Army 10-miler Capt. Brian Hoffman, 20th Support Battalion is planning his third consecutive run in the Army Ten-Miler.

Hoffman leads a team of military and civilians in the annual fundraiser hailed as "D.C.'s premier run."

Hoffman said he keeps going back because "it feels good."

"When it's over you feel good about yourself and your team. We all have a good time," Hoffman said.

With this year's race projected to be the largest ever, Hoffman said it's not surprising that people continue to challenge themselves.

"I'm a Soldier and Soldiers challenge themselves to stay sharp," he said. "You have to push yourself further, faster and harder and this is a good way to do it."

About the 10-miler

The 2006 Army 10-miler is expected to attract 24,000 military and civilian runners, including more than 350 military teams.

Starting and finishing at the Pentagon, the route will take runners past the Lincoln Memorial, the Washington Monument and the Capitol. Regarded as the world's largest ten-mile race, the ATM's proceeds benefit MWR programs.

In 2005, ATM funds helped support the building of a new teen center and equipment for Child and Youth Services at Fort Meade; the purchase of new furniture and medical records automation equipment for the Veterinary Clinic at Fort Belvoir, Va.; and kitchen equipment for the community club at Fort Hamilton, N.Y.

Concert

From front page

aunts sing as a trio at church. Along with her growing love for rock, Cotton developed a warm appreciation for jazz and gospel.

When she reached adulthood, she moved to New York City and gave herself fully to music, establishing herself as a regular at top clubs like the Bitter End, Arlene's Grocery, the FEZ Under Time Cafe, the Cutting Room, the Sidewalk Café and CB's 313 Gallery.

When the time came to capture her music on disc, Kevin Salem, an outstanding guitarist and songwriter, agreed to produce Cotton's first album.

WXPN, in Philadelphia,

tagged Cotton as one of their top "artists to watch" in 2005 and slotted her first single "It's Only Life" into heavy rotation. Press raves sprouted online and in print, lauding her "bluesy voice, her soulful guitar work and cover-girl face"; touting her as "the next big thing"; and concluding that "once in a while, talent outstrips the hype, as in the case of Danielia Cotton."

Cotton's music is not relaxed, mellow, sweet, or similar to anything else that's out there. Each throat-searing track on her new CD, Small White Town, showcases the raw power of her voice.

From the guitar-driven blues force of "Devil in Disguise" to the aching dreams of freedom that haunts "4 A Ride," every moment of Small White Town testifies to the fact that music is not

merely Cotton's talent. It is her deepest calling.

With the arrival of Small White Town, listeners will fish for comparisons to such iconic powerhouses as Janis Joplin and Tina Turner. As the Philadelphia Daily Local News proclaimed, Cotton's music has the "swagger of 'Let It Bleed'-era Rolling Stones."

These comparisons place a heavy load on an artist who may share similarities with the giants, but who ultimately is unique.

"Small White Town is me," Cotton said. "It's a reflection of my love for rock and roll."

And for those who believe in the magic of rock and roll, Small White Town shows us that a new star has arrived.

Learn more about Cotton at www.danielia.com.

Activities

For more information on MWR activities, call 410-278-7474 or visit Web site www.apgmwr.com.

APG holds Talent Search

The APG Annual Talent Search will be held 7:30 p.m., May 20, at the Aberdeen Recreation Center. Admission is \$3 for active military and \$5 for non-military. For more information, call Earlene Allen, 410-278-3854.

Parent Information Exchange

This program is for Exceptional Family Members and is held 6 to 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of every month.

This support group is designed to assist military families who have family members with special needs.

Improving a member's ability to cope and discuss community resources is the goal. Free child care is available, but call in advance if needed.

Play Mornings

This weekly play group for parents and children under 6-years-old meets 9:30 to 11 a.m., Monday and Wednesday.

Have fun and meet other parents while children socially interact with each other.

This is an ongoing program and play groups are held in the APG Chapel, room 5.

For information on any SKIES Unlimited program or if interested in teaching classes, contact Sarah Behl, 410-278-4589. To register for classes, contact Central Registration, building 2752, 410-278-7571/7479.

One-on-one math tutoring

A variety of math tutoring sessions will be given each Tuesday through the end of the school year--everything from 6th grade math to pre-calculus.

Sessions are scheduled on a monthly basis. Sign up for a four-week session with a certified teacher who has more than 22 years of experience. Space is limited.

Driver's education

Driver's education classes are being taught on both Aberdeen and Edgewood for students 15 through 18 years of age. Class includes 30 hours of classroom instruction and six hours in-car instructions.

Student must have a learners permit. Parents, guardians or mentors must attend the first class with the student.

For information on these or any other division of sports and fitness, contact Ralph Cuomo, 410-278-2812.

All-Army Sports

Soldier-athletes can now apply to participate in All-Army Sports via the Internet. Any qualified participant with Internet access and an Army Knowledge Online account can apply for the program by visiting <https://armysports.cfsc.army.mil>.

The Web site provides detailed information about the program, competition calendar, selection criteria and points of contact in the

MWR Registration, Tickets and Leisure Travel is located

in building 3326. They may be contacted at 410-278-4011/4907, by e-mail at mwr_registration@apg.army.mil or on the Web site, www.apgmwr.com.

MWR has baseball tickets

The Baltimore Orioles will play against the Detroit Tigers, 7:05 p.m., May 11. Tickets cost \$48 each. Seats are located in Section 40, Row WW, seats 11 to 12 and Row XX, seats 11 to 12.

Shop till you drop

Enjoy the day in New York City May 13. There is no set agenda--spend the day seeing a show, shopping, site seeing or anything else.

The bus will leave at approximately 8:15 a.m. and return around 10 p.m. The cost is \$39 and space is limited. Reserve space early.

For information on these or any other classes, contact Charles Heinsohn, 410-278-3868. To sign up for the class, visit MWR Registration in building 3326, call 410-278-4011/4907, e-mail mwr_registration@apg.army.mil or visit Web site, www.apgmwr.com.

Carpentry for the novice

Receive hands-on instruction in the art of carpentry from a licensed carpenter and contractor 6 p.m., Thursdays, beginning today at Woodshop Arts and Crafts in Edgewood.

Classes will teach the skills necessary to become proficient in wood working procedures.

Bowling Center offers '101 DAYS OF SUMMER FUN!'

CFSC

From Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day, children at 74 Army installations will be invited to bowl 101 free games and to enter for a chance to win prizes. The promotion is being offered by the U.S. Army Community & Family Support Center to attract youths in grades K-12 to Army bowling centers and to introduce them to the sport of bowling.

A great line-up of sponsors and prizes includes Hollywood Records, who is sponsoring one of two grand prizes—a trip for the winner and three guests to an Aly & AJ concert—one of those guests must be the parent or legal guardian of the winner. The package will include airfare, two-night stay, a backstage meet and greet opportunity, and \$500 to cover incidental expenses. Children will bowl to Aly & AJ music, and their CDs will be given away as part of the local drawing see poster below.

The second grand prize, sponsored by Walden Media and New Line Cinema, is a private screening party for the winner and 100 friends to see the movie "How to Eat Fried

Worms."

Walden Media and New Line Cinema are also providing Hoot movie DVDs, soundtracks, the book and a guide for educational activities that schools, libraries and youth centers can use.

The third major sponsor is THQ, providing 200 Bratz, SpongeBob Squarepants and WWE Smackdown Raw video games to be used as local prizes.

Every participating bowling center will also award a portable DVD player and an iPod Shuffle at the end of the summer.

Beginning May 27, youths can pick up a free game card at the APG Bowling Center, which entitles them to one free game with one paid game of bowling all summer.

According to Kappa, when it comes time for the local prize drawings around Labor Day weekend, the card with the most games bowled will have first choice of the local prizes available.

For more information, call Dave Brewner, 410-278-4041.

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The Bowling Center is the place to be this summer!
Pick up your game card at the bowling center!

Goldilocks on trial at APG courthouse

Story and photo by
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USAEC

Fourth grade students from Edgewood Elementary School went to court at the U.S. Courthouse on Aberdeen Proving Ground May 1 for the mock trial of Goldilocks vs. the Three Bears.

After hearing arguments and seeing the evidence the student jury deliberated only five minutes before finding Goldilocks guilty of bad manners.

Goldilocks was disappointed in the jury’s decision, but relieved that the civil trial verdict would not result in imprisonment. She was sentenced by the judge to apologize to the Bears for entering their home uninvited and messing up their beds, and to make them breakfast one morning.

“She’s really a very nice little girl,” said Susan Offley, Goldilocks’ defense attorney. “The Bears gladly accepted her apology.”

“Good manners are so important,” said Mom A. Bear, “We just couldn’t let the lesson go unlearned.”

The trial took place in observance of Law Day, a public education event sponsored by the American Bar Association meant to remind students of the nation’s heritage of liberty under the law. Students played all of the major roles in the mock trial, including Mom A. Bear, Goldilocks, the judge and the jury.



Lawyers from the U.S. Army Environmental Center, Karen Colmie, left, and Susan Offley, right, played the roles of the prosecution and defense attorneys in Goldilocks vs. the Three Bears, a mock trial in observance of Law Day. Students from Edgewood Elementary School fourth grade played all other major roles during the trial

The roles of the prosecution and defense attorneys were played by Offley and Karen Colmie, lawyers from the U.S. Army Environmental Center Office of Counsel. Sgt. 1st Class Robin Thompson, a paralegal with the APG Judge Advocate General office, facilitated the mock trial.

“It was a pleasure to support the USAEC on Law Day,” Thompson said. “On behalf of the Army, USAEC shares

its knowledge with the students at Edgewood Elementary School in the hope that the students in turn will share what they have learned with others.”

The Law Day activity was one of seven Edgewood Elementary School events developed and supported by USAEC for the school this year. The partnership between USAEC, based at APG, and Edgewood Elementary School is entering its 10th year.

Harford County begins siren testing

Story by
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Harford County Government

Harford County Emergency Operations Center officials began monthly testing of the County’s new Southeastern Warning System at 4 p.m., May 3. Testing will be conducted on the first Wednesday of every month at that same time. The All-Hazard System is designed to alert the public to severe weather emergencies, hazardous material incidents, floods or other incidents that might require mandatory evacuations.

Six of 15 sirens previously located on

APG were relocated to Edgewood, Joppatowne, Perryman and Magnolia. The sirens were updated using federal Homeland Security funding to handle their new emergency communications mission.

The sirens are located in the vicinities of Aberdeen Middle School, A.B. Demarco Park, Hillsdale Elementary School; in Havre de Grace, sirens are located on Old Bay Lane and Old Post Road, Havre de Grace High School and at the Bulle Rock Water Tower.

Nine sirens also are located at Otter Point Road and U.S. Route 40; Chelsea

Road and Baltimore Gas Electric Generating Station in Perryman; U.S. Army Winters Run Water Treatment Plant in McComas; Fort Hoyle Road south of Trimble Road in Magnolia; East of Joppatowne Elementary School; Yorkshire Drive and Harford Square Drive in Edgewood; Freys Road and Rivershore Court in Rivershore; Mariner Point Park in Joppatowne and Edgewood High School.

For more information, call Linda Ploener, Harford County Emergency Operations Center, 410-638-4029.

Budget

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dents should understand that the person taking their service order is not the person making the decisions about what will be done or not done.

“Their job is to just take the service request and put it into the system. They have no impact on prioritizing the work,” she said.

“There will be some situations where folks will be able to make their own minor repairs,” Hector explained. “We have two Re-Nu-It centers on post. They have tools, supplies and materials available—even instructional tapes—but the only repairs authorized are minor ones such as light carpentry, painting, screen and fence repairs. You may not perform structural or electrical repairs, major

plumbing or roof repairs. Additions are not allowed either. Of course, the primary consideration in even this minor work is safety. We don’t want anyone attempting to do something dangerous or something they are not qualified to do. Please check with the housing office before attempting any thing other than the most minor repairs.”

Wright echoed Hector’s concerns.

“We really want to do the right thing,” he said, “and that

means the residents have to do so as well. This budget situation is Army-wide and we are obligated to do the best we can. We’re going to do everything we can to take care of our Soldiers and their families. We’re going to take every action we can to ensure safety and well-being. Those priorities haven’t changed and won’t. We are an Army at war and we’re committed to following through as best we can.”

Questions about what sorts of actions residents may

undertake should be directed to the Family Housing Office, 410-306-2010/2012.

The Re-Nu-It centers are in building 5413, 410-278-8814/8815 and E-5703, 410-436-2398.